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OPTICAL DEVICE AND OPTICAL PICKUP DEVICE

## REPLY AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114

Mail Stop Amendment

P.O. Box 1450 Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

This is an amendment made pursuant to Request for Continued Examination (RCE), responsive to a Final Office Action having a mailing date of July 21, 2009. The three month shortened statutory period to respond is set to October 21, 2009. In the event this paper is not timely filed, Applicants petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fee deficiencies or credit any overpayments of Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.